

From: [Steeger, Thomas](#)
To: [Laws, Meredith](#)
Subject: Re: Proposed label language for Neonics
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I thought you are on vacation?

Lois asked if I would share what we have developed as a draft. Li told her that it was very draft and that other team members had not had an opportunity to weigh-in on the language. She responded that Steve wants something soon.

The discussions on label language with the PPDC this week have been depressing. However, it may give stakeholders an appreciation of the challenges.

From: Laws, Meredith
Sent: Wednesday, July 10, 2013 11:35:32 PM
To: Steeger, Thomas; Eagle, Venus; Moriarty, Thomas; Roelofs, James
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Hi Tom: I think your revisions are good and are an improvement. I'm wondering about the directions for use restriction (dfu) that I originally proposed for "grains". Saw my Brushy Mtn beeguy this weekend and it came up in our conversation that bees are highly attracted to buckwheat - which I guess is a grain? So I was wrong to assume that no grains are attractive to bees - but he did say that buckwheat never seems to be treated for other invert pests so maybe insecticide application isn't an issue (I don't think I've ever seen a new use for "buckwheat" so he may be right, nothing wants to eat it. And he said the bees only visit it in the morning - the nectaries close at noon and all the bees leave!). And re cotton and cucurbits, I didn't think we could mandate spraying early am or late afternoon but I'm happy to try - Lois did say go with anything we think effective even if we don't think it will go forward (actually my bees were active at 8:00 am the other day, so maybe we should go even more restrictive to late pm applications only!). Thanks for your comments, see you all next week.
Meredith

From: Steeger, Thomas
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Did all / any of you have an opportunity to read/review/edit/comment on the draft label language for neonicotinoids that was forwarded over the holiday weekend? If so, please let me know your thoughts.

Tom